



City of Rowlett

Joint Meeting Minutes

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City Council Charter Review Commission

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Wednesday, February 13, 2013

6:00 P.M.

Rowlett Community Centre – Room D
5300 Main Street

The City of Rowlett reserves the right to reconvene, recess or realign the order of business at any time prior to adjournment.

Present: Mayor Todd Gottel, Mayor Pro Tem Doug Phillips, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Gallops, Councilmember Chris Kilgore, Councilmember Ron Miller, Tammy Dana-Bashian, Mick Donnelly, Whitney Laning, Pam Liston, Jeffrey Sheldon, Brownie Sherrill, David Jenkins (Alternate), Kevin Lawson (Alternate), Susie Quinn (Alternate), Deb Shinder (Alternate), Lynda Humble (City Manager), David Berman (City Attorney), Laura Hallmark (City Secretary)

Absent: Councilmember Carl Pankratz and Michael Lucas

1. Call to order.

Awaiting the Mayor's arrival, Mayor Pro Tem Phillips called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. Mr. Phillips stated that Council will discuss and consider the recommendations presented at the Work Session scheduled for February 19, 2013 and therefore item #4 will not be discussed.

In the absence of Chairman Lucas, and serving as Vice Chair, Mr. Laning called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

2. Consider approving minutes from the February 4, 2013, Charter Review Commission Meeting.

Motion by Mr. Sherrill with second by Mr. Donnelly to approve minutes as presented. Motion passed by a unanimous vote of those members present.

3. Presentation of Charter Review Commission recommendations.

In the absence of Dr. Lucas, Chair, Mr. Laning presented the recommendations of the sub-committees relating to term limits, recall, a City Prosecutor position, a City Ombudsman position, and items for State law conformance.

Discussion regarding the continuation of serving in office during the recall process, time allowed to hold a recall election, the process in place regarding a resignation in order to run for another office, the insertion of footnotes to cite State law references, and the possible effective date should a new term limits measure be enacted.

Councilmembers thanked the Commissioners for serving and for all their hard work and dedication, especially over the holidays.

Commissioners suggested that the next Commission be given the full six month time frame to review and potentially rewrite the entire Charter to make it flow better and be a better document.

4. Discuss and consider possible Charter propositions.

The City Council will discuss this issue at their Work Session scheduled February 19, 2013.

5. Public Announcements: Members of the Council, Commission and/or staff may make announcements of local civic events. No members may discuss nor take any action with regards to the announcements.

There were no announcements.

6. Adjournment.

Mayor Gottel adjourned the meeting at 7:17 p.m.
Mr. Laning adjourned the meeting at 7:18 p.m.



Todd W. Gottel, Mayor



Laura Hallmark, City Secretary

Date Approved: March 5, 2013